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25X1A	2. Mr. Schroeder, of the staff of the Senate Immigration Subcommittee, informed me that he and another staff member were leaving for El Paso, Texas about 1 October to prepare for hearings there on the Mexican wetback situation and infiltration of Communist agents across the border. He renewed his request for CIA to supply a witness in this matter who would testify at the El Paso hearings at Committee expense, and also indicated again their desire to talk with
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25X1A ⊀	4. of ORR, brought to my attention a letter dated 17 September from Chairman Jenner of the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee to Secretary of Commerce Weeks, advising that the Subcommittee was interested in the history of the Economic

Defense Advisory Committee and the Advisory Committee on Export Policy and all working subcommittees of both. The Senator requested that the Subcommittee be provided with the names of all persons, past and present, who have served on the Committees and subcommittees noted above, both regular and alternate members, and a description of the titles and functions of each individual and their years of service. While the Subcommittee may be interested in delving into the backgrounds of such persons as this can also be tied into Sen. Jenner's recent blasts on the subject of East West Trade and FOA, a copy of this letter has been furnished to DD/I.

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- 5. Sen. Jenner, as Chairman of the Joint Committee on Printing, has addressed a letter to the Director dated 21 September concerning adequate safeguards in the handling of classified printing requirements in the GPO. In asking that CIA designate a representative to serve in an advisory capacity to the Committee staff studying this problem, Chairman Jenner points out that planned construction changes in the building housing the GPO-Department of State Service Office will permanently impair its security safeguards and production effectiveness and that immediate steps should be taken "to forestall any inimical effects to its immediate or long-range program". The first meeting of the survey group is scheduled for 12 October. This letter handed this letter to DD/A.
- 6. In reference to Item 4, above, Mr. Kenneth Hansen of FOA called me concerning this letter and stated that he felt that in reply the names of Dr. Guthe and his alternate should be listed for EDAC, but that no other CIA names should appear. He will withhold any formal advice to the Department of Commerce until he hears from me.
- 7. A press item reports that Sen. Margaret Chase Smith plans a round-the-world tour (including the hope of a visa to Russia). She is to be accompanied by a camera crew from Ed Murrow's "See It Now" TV program. In view of Sen. Smith's ranking position on the Senate Armed Services Committee and her membership on the Senate Appropriations Committee, it is recommended that some consideration be given to the possibility of briefing Sen. Smith before she departs.

8. A review of Congressional contacts by this office during the 83rd Congress (1 January 1953 - 1 September 1954) indicates that we have been in contact with 84 Senators and 257 Congressmen or their offices on various matters, including committee briefings, personnel applications, general inquiries, and the like. During this period, there have been 271 job applications from Congressional sources, of whom 32 have been hired. This is almost 5% of the Congressional applicants. This figure is almost identical with the over all Agency percentage.